



## STAGE GLINTS.

"Lady Paddington" is the name of a new comedy written by F. C. Phillips. Vocalists are beginning to sing Rudyard Kipling's "Barrack Room Ballads" in the London music halls.

James Aldrich Libbey has signed with Thomas Q. Seabrooke to sing the tenor role in "The Isle of Champagne."

"The Commander's Statue," the pantomime play which has made a hit in London, will be seen in New York city next season.

E. E. Rice and the other members of the "Evangeline" company are successfully touring the provincial towns of New South Wales.

A comedietta called "The Ring of Polyesters," adapted from the German by Justin Huntley McCarthy, is spoken of as extremely bright and amusing.

Bronson Howard's new play, "Aristocracy," is an American society drama.

The scenes are laid in this country and England. Viola Allen and Blanche Walsh will be in the cast, representing two strong types of female character.

The honor conferred on Henry Irving by the University of Dublin is not wholly without precedent. On March 16, 1759, the University of Cambridge conferred on Thomas Sheridan, the famous tragedian, the honorary degree of master of arts.

Definite arrangements have been now made by which Mr. Van Biene will appear as an actor and musician in a new play written by himself and Mr. Tanner, called "The Broken Melody," which will be produced at the Prince of Wales' theater in London.

## THE LATEST NOVELTIES.

Tiny tubes for perfumes are intended for the pocket and bosom.

Cuticle knives, sharp and glittering, have come to join manicure sets.

The newest envelope cutters and paper knives are dagger shaped, with twisted handles.

Cylindrical tubes, plain, twisted or curved, with repousse work, inclose rolls of colored court plaster.

A silver hairpin is somewhat irrevocably inscribed with the following line, "I need thee every hour."

Oblong blotters have penwipers in layers of pretty flannels and silver knob handles. These open and disclose a receptacle for stamps.

The new hat plates are plain, nice in form and edged with a tiny chased roll. Their merit is in their spring, which fastens them firmly to the hat band.

The season for exposing the fastenings for necktie ends has come, and these are more ornamental than ever. The finest are of gold set with colored stones.

The newest scissors have the braces where the finger holes join to the body of pierced work. This makes them lighter, no less strong and prettier. They come in three sizes.—Jeweler's Circular.

## WHISPERS ABOUT WOMEN.

Mrs. U. S. Grant has recently emerged from her social seclusion and has given both receptions and dinners at her residence in New York.

A daughter of Director General Davis, of the World's fair, has just taken the prize at Lasalle seminary at Auburn, Mass., for breadmaking.

The British government has appointed Miss Doberck, formerly government meteorological observer in Sligo, to be assistant meteorologist in Hong-Kong.

The household of ex-President Hayes, at Fremont, O., is presided over by his only daughter, Miss Fannie Hayes. The two younger sons of General Hayes also live at home.

Mr. Potter Palmer, of Chicago, bought the Cottier sale the "Orpheus," by Corot, for \$30,000, and the landscape for \$13,000, so that America has not lost the "Orpheus" after all.

Mrs. Henry Villard, wife of the railroad nabob and never disengaged speculator, is a daughter of the late William Lloyd Garrison, the abolitionist of antebellum days, a fact not generally known, and from her father inherits many of the intellectual attainments that contributed to his fame.

## RAILROAD JOTTINGS.

The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern has concluded to build a new union passenger station at Sandusky, O. It will be four stories high, of pressed brick and will cost fully \$100,000.

An improved traction engine has lately appeared in Missouri. It is run with a relatively small amount of fuel, carries a heavy load and is provided with means for changing its speed without altering the stroke of the engine.

The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul company has removed the sleeping car from the 6:30 p. m. train from Chicago to Denver, and placed it on the 10:20 p. m. train that reaches Denver on the morning of the second day.

M. E. Wallace, who has been mechanical engineer of the Gould Coupler company, has become chief draftsman for the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, with office at Aurora. Mr. Wallace is well known on the Erie road, in whose mechanical department he was employed at one time.

## ODDS AND ENDS.

The amount paid in salaries to teachers and school superintendents in the United States every year is \$80,000,000.

In the Encyclopedia Britannica there are said to be 10,000 words that have never been formally entered and defined in any dictionary.

Two human skeletons have been found on Gem island, in the Alvorhos, western Australia, supposed to be the remains of the Pelsart expedition to that island in the Sixteenth century.

The Jewish people of New York have now their own hospitals, sanitarium, technical institute, special schools, literary organizations, philanthropic institutions and benefit societies.

Two years ago, when the shah returned home from Europe, there were no newspapers in Persia, but he was so impressed with their value as agents in the spread of intelligence that he set about founding a few through a ministry of the press. Now there are twelve.

England's queen since the beginning of her reign has only signed one death warrant, which was for an execution in the Isle of Man, the act passed for relieving her majesty of the signing of death warrants having, by an oversight, not included that part of her majesty's dominions.



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